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In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) mailed May 20, 2002,
the following documents are submitted herewith:

- 1) A copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional);
- 2) A check in the amount of \$405 (Small Entity) for Extension for response
within third month;
- 3) Twenty-four (24) sheets of Formal Drawings; and
- 4) A Return Postcard for this transmittal.

The Notice to File Missing Parts was mailed on January 29, 2002 and requested the
statutory filing fee and declaration. The Notice also requested substitute drawings. The
Applicant's response was submitted to the USPTO on April 29, 2002 and included a fee

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payment of \$55 for a one-month extension of time. Therefore, this Response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply hereby includes a request for a three-month extension of time and includes a fee payment of \$405 which is the difference of the three-month extension of time and the already-paid amount of \$55 for the one-month extension of time.



The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee, including any submitted herewith if the attached check(s) is in the wrong amount or otherwise improper or missing, that may be due in connection with this and the attached papers, or with this application during its entire pendency to or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1213. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

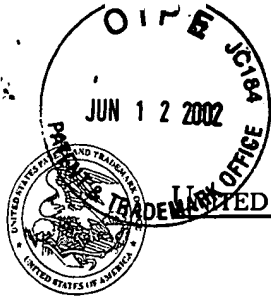
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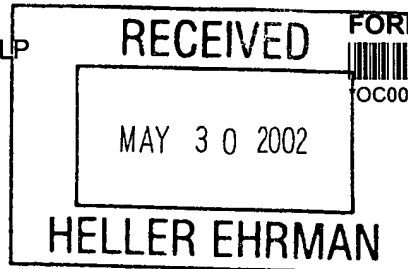


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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 05/03/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 01/29/2002 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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